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8 BEFORE THE FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION  
9 STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
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12 In the Matter of ) FPPC No.: 02 / 0441  
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14 ) ELIZABETH PIDGEON-ONTIS )  
15 ) STIPULATION, DECISION and  
16 ) ORDER  
17 ) Respondent.  
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19 Complainant Mark Krausse, Executive Director of the Fair Political Practices Commission, and  
20 Respondent Elizabeth Pidgeon-Ontis hereby agree that this Stipulation will be submitted for  
21 consideration by the Fair Political Practices Commission at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

22 The parties agree to enter into this Stipulation to resolve all factual and legal issues raised in  
23 this matter, and to reach a final disposition without the necessity of holding an administrative hearing  
24 to determine the liability of Respondent.

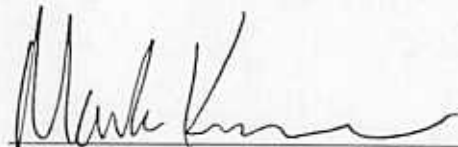
25 Respondent understands, and hereby knowingly and voluntarily waives, any and all procedural  
26 rights set forth in sections 83115.5 and 11503 of the Government Code, and in section 18361 of Title 2  
27 of the California Code of Regulations. This includes, but is not limited to, the right to personally  
28 appear at any administrative hearing held in this matter, to be represented by an attorney at  
Respondent's own expense, to confront and cross-examine all witnesses testifying at the hearing, to

subpoena witnesses to testify at the hearing, to have an impartial administrative law judge preside over the hearing as a hearing officer, and to have the matter judicially reviewed.

It is further stipulated and agreed that Respondent committed one violation of the Political Reform Act as described in Exhibit 1, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference, as though fully set forth herein. Exhibit 1 is a true and accurate summary of the facts in this matter.

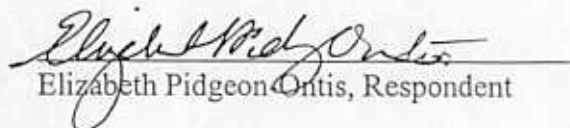
Respondent agrees to the issuance of the Decision and Order, which is attached hereto. Respondent also agrees to the Commission imposing upon her an administrative penalty in the amount of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00). A cashier check from Respondent in said amount, made payable to the "General Fund of the State of California," is submitted with this Stipulation as full payment of the administrative penalty, and shall be held by the State of California until the Commission issues its Decision and Order regarding this matter. The parties agree that in the event the Commission refuses to accept this Stipulation, it shall become null and void, and within fifteen (15) business days after the Commission meeting at which the Stipulation is rejected, all payments tendered by Respondent in connection with this Stipulation shall be reimbursed to Respondent. Respondent further stipulates and agrees that in the event the Commission rejects the Stipulation, and a full evidentiary hearing before the Commission becomes necessary, neither any member of the Commission, nor the Executive Director, shall be disqualified because of prior consideration of this Stipulation.

Dated: April 16, 2003



Mark Krausse  
Executive Director  
Fair Political Practices Commission

Dated: 4/8/03



Elizabeth Pidgeon-Ontis, Respondent

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**DECISION AND ORDER**

The foregoing stipulation of the parties “In the Matter of Elizabeth Pidgeon-Ontis, FPPC No. 02/0441,” including all attached exhibits, is hereby accepted as the final decision and order of the Fair Political Practices Commission, effective upon execution below by the Chairman.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, Chairman

Fair Political Practices Commission